HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1244

By Johnson P

A RESOLUTION to name a bridge on State Route 12 in Cheatham County in honor of the late James "Jimmy" Wauler Maxey, Jr.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor the memory of those exemplary public servants who contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean could be more deserving of this honor than the late James "Jimmy" Wauler Maxey, Jr., a lifetime resident of Cheatham County; and

WHEREAS, born in Ashland City in 1922, Mr. Maxey served his fellow citizens with integrity, probity, and generosity as an educator and public servant of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, in addition to having proudly served his country in the United States Navy,

Mr. Maxey was an active member of the Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church, Cheatham County

Retired Teachers Association, American Legion, Ashland City Senior Center, Order of the

Masons, and Sigma Phi Epsilon; and

WHEREAS, a 1946 graduate of the University of Tennessee, Mr. Maxey expertly molded young minds and positively influenced young lives for thirty-seven years as an agriculture teacher and as the Director of Vocational Programs for Cheatham County Schools; and

WHEREAS, during his illustrious tenure at Cheatham County High School, Mr. Maxey was responsible for teaching the trade of farming to the current generation of Cheatham County farmers, all of whom revere their mentor's memory; and

WHEREAS, the Cheatham County Legislative Body has petitioned this Body to name a certain bridge on State Route 12 to permanently commemorate the bountiful life and singular accomplishments of the late James "Jimmy" Wauler Maxey, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the bridge spanning Sycamore Creek on State Route 12 in Cheatham County is hereby designated the "Jimmy Maxey Memorial Bridge" in memory of one of the finest citizens this State has ever produced.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in the first resolving clause as the "Jimmy Maxey Memorial Bridge".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if Cheatham County, Tennessee, either (1) remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the department of transportation within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution, or (2) manufactures and erects such signs pursuant to state and federal guidelines as approved by the Department. If electing option (1), Cheatham County shall make payment of the estimated cost prior to any expenditure by the State for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to Cheatham County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, Cheatham County shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to the Department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.

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